CITY OF BLUE RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES AUGUST 17, 2021

THE BLUE RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MET IN SPECIAL SESSION AT 7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021, AT THE BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER, LOCATED AT 200 W. TILTON, BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS 75424 AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION.

- 1. Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and called roll with the following members present: Mayor Rhonda Williams, Christina Porath, Keith Chitwood and Colby Collinsworth.
- 2. Prayer and Pledges of Allegiance

Edie Sims offered the prayer and lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.

3. Public Comment

No one signed up or spoke at this time.

4. <u>Public Hearing to receive public comment on the Proposed 2021 Property Tax Rate for the City of Blue Ridge and schedule date and time of the meeting where the vote will be held regarding the 2021 Property Tax Rate for the City of Blue Ridge</u>

Mayor Williams opened the Public Hearing at 7:03pm and asked those opposing the 2021 Proposed Tax Rate to come forward. With no one coming forward, Mayor Williams asked those for the 2021 Proposed Tax Rate to come forward. With no one coming forward, Mayor Williams closed the public hearing at 7:03pm.

Council scheduled the meeting date and time where the vote will be held regarding the 2021 Property Tax Rate as August 31, 2021 at 7:00pm at the Blue Ridge Community Center, 200 W. Tilton, Blue Ridge, Texas. No further action was taken by Council.

 Consider, discuss and act upon Ordinance 2021-0817-001 amending Chapter 4 of the City of Blue Ridge's Code of Ordinances regarding Building Regulations through Construction Codes and Standards adopting the 2018 International Building, Residential, Plumbing, Fuel Gas, Existing Building, Mechanical, Energy, Property Maintenance, Fire Codes and the 2020 National Electrical Code

The City's existing building codes are the 2012 International Editions and the 2014 National Electric Code. With the codes being upgraded to the 2018 International Editions and the 2020 National Electric Code, the City will have an ISO rating of 5 which helps keep a lower insurance rating for the entire Blue Ridge Fire District. Christina Porath motioned to approve the Ordinance as presented with Colby Collinsworth seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq. the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following: a. §551.072: Deliberations about Real Property</u>

Council went into Executive Session at 7:06pm.

7. <u>RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council will reconvene into Open Session to consider action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session</u>

Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:39pm. No action was taken.

- 8. <u>Discussion of placing items on future agendas:</u> No items were requested.
- 9. Adjournment

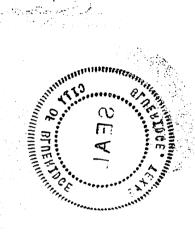
Christina Porath motioned to adjourn with Keith Chitwood seconding the motion. Council adjourned at 7:40pm.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Rhonda Williams, Mayor

Edie Sims, City Secretary



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